



Student to Student *Alumni* Newsletter

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Take a study/work break (or pause the cat video) and take a minute to tell us where you are in the world.

JCRC is getting in touch with former participants of Student to Student. Don't worry, we hate spam as much as you do. Click the link to fill out the form or email sts@jcrctl.org.

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Student to Student Alumni Bridging the Urban-Rural Divide

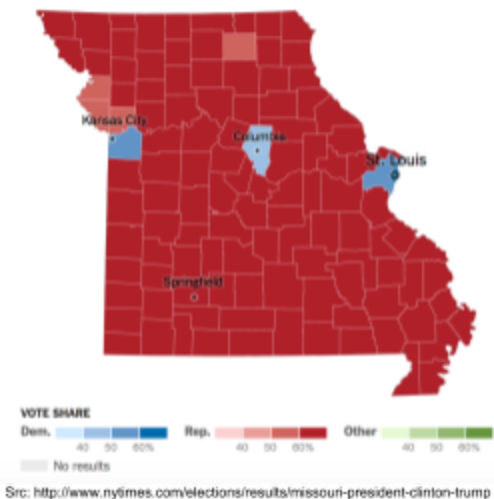
On November 9, Fawn Chapel sat at her kitchen table after being struck by a metaphorical lightning bolt. She was thinking about how to bridge the divide between St. Louisans and residents of Missouri's rural counties.

Later in the week, a conversation with Rebecca Nathanson (STS '01-'03), Student to Student Alumni Coordinator, helped distil the concept for Conversation Starter, a new pilot program that will create space for new conversations between Jewish St. Louisans and non-Jewish residents of rural Missouri counties.

"There's a disconnect between urban and rural and it's more than geographical. The rural areas are more homogeneous and have ideas about 'the other.' This project is not for political reasons but rather how do we bridge the gap between urban and rural areas? Participants will also have the opportunity to meet their own 'others' - being people living in rural areas."

Conversation Starter will train a group of millennials this spring who will visit Missouri communities outside of St. Louis and speak with community members in high schools, places of worship, and community spaces about being Jewish while facilitating a conversation that is also two-ways. If you are interested in learning more about Conversation Starter, email Rebecca Nathanson at rpnathanson@gmail.com.

Missouri Presidential Election Results by County (2016)



The Student to Student Program is Turning 25! (And other updates)

The program now recruits 100s of Jewish teens and reaches thousands of their non-Jewish peers *annually*.

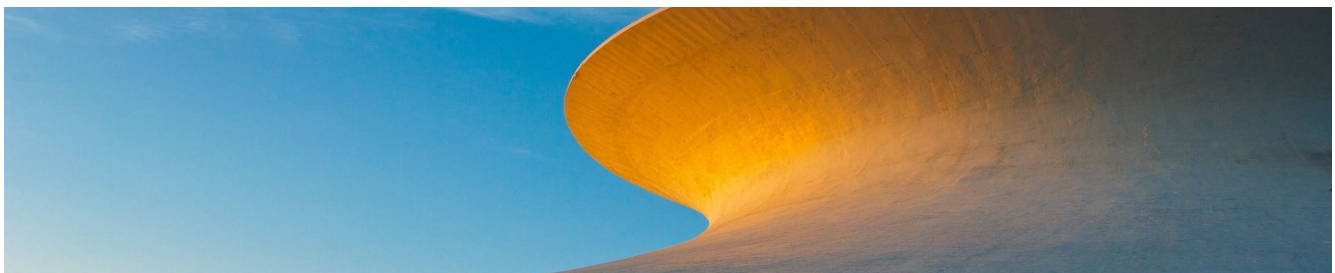
It seems like only yesterday that it was just a wee program of nine students visiting a single parochial school. Now, a ripened millennial, the program recruits over 100 Jewish teens from around the STL area and reaches thousands (yes-thousands) of non-Jewish teens annually. For those of you in the STL area, consider attending [JCRC's Annual Meeting](#) on June 12, 2017 where the Student to Student program will be honored for concluding its 25th year.

In other news - things have been pretty busy at JCRC in 2017. Read up JCRC's response to the [Chesed Shel Emeth cemetery desecration](#), Maharat Rori's radical embrace of [inclusive Israel programming](#), or feel nostalgic for your high school years while about the Student to Student program or the Jewish Muslim Teen Dialogue Group.

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For Funsies: Guess the St. Louis Landmark

We know you miss the Lou. Check your STL trivia.



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